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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Resources met in open markup session on Wednesday, November 7, 2001, to consider following bills:

<u>H.R. 2828</u>, To authorize refunds of amounts collected from Klamath Project irrigation and drainage districts for operation and maintenance of the Project's transferred and reserved works for water year 2001, and for other purposes.; was ordered favorably reported to the House, amended, by voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the Subcommittee on Water and Power was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2828, was AGREED TO.

The following amendment was offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute by Mr. Walden (#1), re: to 1) authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reimburse each Klamath Project irrigation and drainage district for operation and maintenance of the Klamath Project for the year 2001, provided the districts document the amount assessed and collected from members of the district; and execute an agreement for payment to each member of the district; 2) waive all additional charges for operations and maintenance in the 2001 water year; and 3) to amend the long title so as to read "A bill to authorize payments to certain Klamath Project water distribution entities for amounts assessed by the entities for operation and maintenance of the Project's transferred works for calendar year 2001, to authorize refunds to such entities of amounts collected by the Bureau of Reclamation for reserved works for the calendar year 2001, and for other purposes."; was AGREED TO by Voice Vote.

<u>H.R. 3208</u>, To authorize funding through the Secretary of the Interior for the implementation of a comprehensive program in California to achieve increased water yield and environmental benefits, as well as improved water system reliability, water use efficiency, watershed management, water transfers, and levee protection; was ordered favorably reported to the House, amended, by a Roll Call Vote of 24 yeas to 18 nays.

The following amendments were offered:

An en bloc amendment by Mr. Calvert (#1), re: to 1) strike section 3 paragraph (4) relating to implementation of improved drinking water quality; 2) narrow the definition of water supply; 3) ensure competitive grants programs in California use the best available scientific information; 4) make technical amendment to construction and acquisition activities; and 5) expand recommendation regarding specific projects to include water supply and water yield; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

An amendment by Mr. Dooley (#2), Section 103(a)(4), re: to allow the Secretary of the Interior to the maximum extent practicable to provide at least 70 percent of the currently identified contract maximum water delivery; was AGREED TO by Voice

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Vote.

An amendment by Mr. Miller to the amendment by Mr. Dooley (#2A), re: to strike section 103(a)(4); was NOT AGREED TO by a Roll Call Vote of 14 yeas to 20 nays.

An en bloc amendment by Mr. Pombo (#3), re: to 1) limit responsibility of water users if water purchase targets are not met; 2) provide that a management plant must be developed by January 1, 2003 or no additional lands may be acquired; 3) expand pool of lands to fulfill existing CALFED requirements before the acquisition of new lands; 4) expand considerations of water security board before new lands can be acquired; 5) avoid adverse impacts of water rights holders in the management of land acquisition; 6) technical change to definition of water supply; 7) narrows the definition of water yield; 8) expand Bureau of Reclamation studies to include water supplies and water yields; 9) define the intent of Congress to include a fair and balanced approach to water yields and water supplies; and 10) expand the performance measure to include water yields; was AGREED TO by Voice Vote.

An amendment by Mr. Pombo (#4), Section (a)(5)(A), re: to 1) add a condition for the banks pumping plants to increase pumping limits; and 2) add criteria to Environmental Water Account and the Ecosystem Restoration Program to avoid adverse impacts; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

An amendment by Mrs. Napolitano (#5), Page 40, Section 111, re: to strike section related to limitation of funding for new projects in California under the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act; was AGREED TO by a Roll Call Vote of 18 years to 16 nays.

An en bloc amendment by Ms. Solis (#6), re: to replace the Water Security Board with the Secretary of the Interior; was NOT AGREED TO by a Roll Call Vote of 16 yeas to 18 nays.

An amendment by Ms. Solis (#7), Section 106(b)(2), re: to strike subparagraph (B), relating to amounts appropriated for construction or acquisition before fiscal year 2003; was AGREED TO by Voice Vote.

An amendment by Mr. Rahall (#8), Strike section 1 through title I and insert, re: to 1) authorize the Interior Secretary to implement Stage 1 of the CALFED Record of Decision by authorizing \$2.432 billion for activities such as environmental restoration projects, levee improvements, drinking water quality actions and feasibility studies for surface water storage projects through fiscal year 2007; and 2) ontract assurances for payment of prevailing wages for laborers and mechanics; was NOT AGREED TO by a Roll Call Vote of 17 yeas to 20 nays.

An amendment by Mr. Miller (#9), After section 304, re: to insert section relating to contract assurances for payment of prevailing wages for laborers and mechanics;

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was AGREED TO by a Roll Call Vote of 23 yeas to 18 nays.

An amendment by Mr. Hansen (#10), at the end of section 301 insert, re: to enforce the allocation of 4,400,000 acre-feet of water from the Colorado River to California as established in the Interim Surplus Guidelines; was AGREED TO by Voice Vote.